128, a reciprocating blade 130 and a stationary blade 132. A holder 134 is also provided.

The blades 130, 132 typically are not as wide as the blades 16, 18, to more easily cut hair in confined spaces, such as around the ears. Moreover, the overlap or blade set-back of the moving and stationary teeth of the trimmer attachment is less than the set-back of the hair clipper moving and stationary blade teeth to cut hair closer, in places such as behind the

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The base 122 may also have a plurality of openings 152 for securement of the holder 134, as will be seen. In addition, the base 122 has a recessed region 154 sized to fit around part of the periphery of the stationary blade 132, and protrusions 156 that pass through openings 158 in the stationary blade 132. The protrusions 156 position the stationary blade 132, and can be used to sonically weld the stationary blade 132 to the base, if desired. The base 122 also has side protrusions 160 for securement of the blade spring 128, as will be seen.--

REMARKS

The Specification has been amended to overcome the objection to the drawings and the objection to the Specification. Withdrawal is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3 and 7 stand rejected under § 102b on the basis of Cromonic.

Applicants traverse this rejection because the reference does not disclose (or suggest) a

trimmer blade that is operable in response to movement of the reciprocating blade of a hair

clipper, as in the present invention. In the reference, drive is provided by projecting fingers

44, and none of the blades themselves drive any other blades. In contrast, in claim 1, the

moveable trimmer blade is operable in response to movement of the reciprocating blade of

the hair clipper, a feature not found in the cited reference. Accordingly, reconsideration and

withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the

Specification by the current amendment. The attached Appendix is captioned "Version with

Markings to Show Changes Made."

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants submit that this Application is in

condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact

the undersigned attorney if an interview would expedite the prosecution.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Specification:

The paragraph beginning on page 4, line 9, has been replaced with the following rewritten paragraph:

The attachment 10 is shown in greater detail in Figs. 3 through 7. The attachment 10 (Fig. 3) includes a base 122, a drive arm 124, a blade guide 126, a blade spring 128, a reciprocating blade 130 and a stationary blade 132. A holderguide 134 is also provided. The blades 130, 132 typically are not as wide as the blades 16, 18, to more easily cut hair in confined spaces, such as around the ears. Moreover, the overlap or blade set-back of the moving and stationary teeth of the trimmer attachment is less than the <u>set-backse-back</u> of the hair clipper moving and stationary blade teeth to cut hair closer, in places such as behind the neck.

The paragraph beginning on page 4, line 22, has been replaced with the following rewritten paragraph:

The base 122 may also have a plurality of openings 152 for securement of the holderguide 134, as will be seen. In addition, the base 122 has a recessed region 154 sized to fit around part of the periphery of the stationary blade 132, and protrusions 156 that pass

through openings 158 in the stationary blade 132. The protrusions 156 position the stationary blade 132, and can be used to sonically weld the stationary blade 132 to the base, if desired. The base 122 also has side protrusions 160 for securement of the blade spring 128, as will be seen.